

Maui Folk Urged To Help Celebration

Honolulu Chamber Of Commerce Invites For Kamehameha Day—Maui Chamber To Support Promotion

Urging that Maui join in helping to revive the importance of Kamehameha Day in the Islands, and that to this end the people of this county, for the present year, unite with Honolulu in making the day a big occasion, Raymond C. Brown, secretary of the Honolulu Chamber of commerce, addressed a well attended meeting of the Maui chamber, on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Brown pointed out that the day is one peculiarly Hawaiian, and one which should be preserved. Honolulu, he said, does not want to claim a monopoly over the day. He declared also that Honolulu people are not actuated entirely by mercenary motives in extending their invitation, but really want to show their good will in seeing that the people from the other islands have a good time. Mr. Brown stated that steamer rates have been reduced 25 per cent, and a similar reduction in hotel rates are to be allowed by all of the leading hotels.

Mr. Brown promised also to take up with the Inter-Island Company the proposition of holding the Claudine in Honolulu on Monday, June 12, until 10 or 11 o'clock at night in order to enable Maui visitors to see the big evening parade.

Mr. Brown's remarks were listened to with interest, and he was assured that Maui will be well represented at the celebration. F. F. Baldwin stated that it is possible that the Maui polo team may play in Honolulu on Saturday or Monday morning during the Kamehameha Day celebration.

Magazine to Boost Hawaii
W. C. Hodges, representing the Sunset Magazine, was present at the meeting and asked the Chamber to support a special edition of his publication in getting out a Hawaii number in August. A committee was appointed, consisting of President Wadsworth, Secretary Case, and Treasurer Lufkin, to consider the matter. It was learned later that the Maui chamber has practically pledged itself to spend from \$50 to \$100 on the advertising scheme.

Electric Company To Extend Service

Plans Soon To Build Lines Into Makawao District—New Engine To Run Sunday

The big new Diesel engine and generator which has been in process of installation in the power plant of the Island Electric Company, for the past six weeks or more, will be given a try-out for the first time next Sunday. As soon as the new unit is running smoothly, and the gasoline engine unit has been thoroughly overhauled, the steam plant will probably be given a rest for a while, and the plant will be in the best condition it has ever been.

Superintendent J. C. Blair, who came to Maui to install the new engine, and who has decided to remain plans to thoroughly overhaul the entire system of the company as soon as the power plant is in good running order. Following this it is stated that steps will be taken to extend the Company's lighting circuits towards Paia, Hanalei, and Hana, in accordance with rights given them by the franchise amendment recently approved by congress.

Many Goats Killed In Kahoolawe Hunt

Two hundred and eighty-six goats were either killed or captured in the big goat hunt on Kahoolawe the latter part of last week and the first of this. The hunt was under direction of C. S. Judd, territorial forester, the object being to clear the islands of destructive animals which seriously retard the growth of vegetation; this growth being important to prevent the washing and blowing away of the scant soil of the island. Forester Judd was assisted by Eben Low and by members of A. L. C. Atkinson's machine gun company, which came over from Honolulu to take part in the hunt. Among those in the party were—C. S. Judd, E. B. Jackson, E. P. Low, Lorrin Thurston, Gordon Scott, Fred Waterhouse, P. G. H. Deverill, W. S. Roycroft, R. E. White, K. W. L. Emory, K. Emory, A. A. Englehard, P. E. Spaulding, H. E. Gregory, and L. P. Scott.

Dillingham's Absence Broke Combination

Was Not All-Hawaii Team That Maui Poloists Defeated On Monday—Many Enjoyed Pretty Game

Owing to the absence of Walter Dillingham, who was unable to come on account of illness, the polo team which met the all-Maui four at the Keahua field last Monday afternoon, was not the famous All-Hawaii team which three seasons ago upheld the honor of Hawaii on the Coronado grounds. Instead it was the Hawaii Junior team—a team which played under the handicap of both unfamiliar mounts and unfamiliar positions.

But in spite of this handicap the Maui players, used as they are to each other, the ground, and the horses, had no easy time in beating the stalwarts, as the score of 6 to 5 shows. The Honolulu representatives were Arthur Rice and Harold Castle, and the team was filled out for the Monday game by Frank Baldwin and Sam Baldwin. Bob Shingle, who it was announced expected to come, failed to show up.

The game on Monday was well attended, and was highly enjoyable to the onlookers. The new field is in excellent shape. It is doubtful if there is a better one at the present time west of New York. The game on Saturday, in which Dave Fleming and Sam Baldwin played with two visitors, was one sided from a variety of causes.

It is probable that the Maui team will play a game in Honolulu on June 10, although this has not fully been determined upon.

Lahaina Girls Die In Midnight Blaze

Overcome By Smoke They Fail To Find Way From Burning House—Booze Believed To Have Caused Pitiful Tragedy

Overcome by the flames and smoke of the fire which destroyed their home at Lahaina, Eliza Aukai, aged 12, and her sister Emma, aged 9, were burned to death at an early hour Wednesday morning. After the fire had burned itself out, the two bodies burned literally to cinders, were found in the ashes.

At the coroner's inquest held Wednesday afternoon, the jury returned a verdict that the children came to their death from the fire which originated presumably from a carelessly dropped cigarette.

The person thus presumed to have dropped the cigarette, is Aki Akeo, the grandfather of the dead girls, with whom they had been living in a house a short distance back of the new Lahaina Store warehouse. Akeo, it is said had been drinking, and had returned home about 11 o'clock. He says that he went to the kitchen and got a cracker; and the presumption is that he at that time dropped a cigarette upon the lauhala floor mat, which later resulted in the blaze.

Jennie Koko, the 13 year old step daughter of Akeo, told the coroner's jury of her own narrow escape. She had been with the other two girls to a moving picture show, returning home about 10 o'clock. They had at once gone to bed and to sleep. Later she was awakened by heat and smoke. She jumped up and awakened the other girls, and then made her escape from the house—she doesn't know how. She found her father on the front lanai. The house burned so fast that it was impossible when help arrived to render any assistance to the unfortunate children. From the positions of the bodies it seems that one had tried to escape from the front door and the other from the rear, but both doors being closed they were overcome before they could get them unfastened.

A Filipino, attracted by the fire, heard a noise inside the house near the back door, and thinking someone was inside, he got an ax and attempted to break the door open. However when he forced the upper panels the gush of flame and heat was so fierce that he was forced to beat a retreat.

Another Filipino, who was asleep in an adjoining apartment of the same building, had a narrow escape, jumping through a window when the passage by the door was cut off.

Akeo, whose carelessness is supposed to have resulted in the tragedy, has been living alone with the girls for some weeks, his wife having recently left him on account of his fondness for liquor, according to information gained by the police.

The executive committee of the Maui County Fair will hold an important meeting next Tuesday evening at the Wailuku Town Hall.

Next Tuesday is Decoration Day.

Money Subscribed More Than Needed

Splendid Showing Made By Flood Relief Committee—Plan Proposed Of Permanent Relief Fund

If the recommendation of the chamber of commerce is adopted, a permanent emergency fund is to be established for Maui, to be drawn upon in any case of general disaster, where prompt relief measures are necessary. This suggestion came about following partial report of the relief committee organized at the time of the storm disaster in January last. The report was made at the Tuesday meeting of the chamber. It showed that there will probably be between \$1200 and \$1400 left on hand when the committee closes its work; and this, it is proposed shall form the nucleus of the fund. In as much as the relief committee was appointed by a citizens' mass meeting, the chamber of commerce was able to act only in an advisory capacity.

Over \$5,000 Expended

The report of the committee showed that it has relieved in all 145 cases distress caused by the great January storm, and that it had spent to date \$5,221.43. Of the total donations amounting to \$6,893.80, a balance of \$1,672.37 remains on hand, but a number of claims will probably have to be met before the final report is filed.

The money subscribed came in to the committee without any solicitation on its part. In fact it kept coming after it was clear that no more was needed. The committee, however, adopted the policy of not spending more than it believed occasion warranted, and hence the balance which it will have on hand. The money was received from sources as follows:

Japanese	\$1,625.75
County of Maui	2,500.00
Corporations	1,500.00
Lahaina Community	513.80
Miscellaneous	754.25
Total	\$6,893.80

The Japanese were the heaviest sufferers, and besides the money they contributed the amount of relief afforded and materials supplied by them far exceeded that of any other nationality.

The money was spent by the committee as follows:

Japanese	\$2,235.60
Chinese	930.80
Hawaiians	612.90
Portuguese	515.00
First Relief	742.65
Expense of work	184.48
Total	\$6,893.80

Relief was afforded by nationalities as follows:

Filipinos	22
Portuguese	6
Spanish	5
Hawaiian	5
Chinese	8
Porto Ricans	22
Japanese	73
Total	145

The committee consists of: R. A. Wadsworth, Clem Crowell, J. Garcia, J. H. Kanewa, N. K. Otsuka, Dr. Osmer, and L. R. Mathews.

Alexander House To Be Incorporated

Mission Boards Relinquish Control And Directorate Will Take Charge—To Broaden Scope

Application is soon to be made for a charter for the Alexander House Settlement. This action has been brought about by the committee in charge of the Settlement in order to broaden the scope of the institution. A request was made to the Maui Aid Association and through it to the Hawaiian Board, asking them to relinquish all authority over the Settlement and allow it to become an independent institution. Both of these associations have concurred in this request.

The plans for the future call for the establishment of an incorporated association which will be known as The Alexander House Settlement Association and which will have a large representation from all over the County. This association will have a board of directors who will be the governing body of the institution. The Settlement will become an enlarged institution whose purpose will be to carry on a social service program throughout the county. In the past the institution has been confined entirely to Wailuku.

The committee, at present consists of following: Dr. W. D. Baldwin, President; R. B. Dodge, Secretary; H. B. Penhallow, Dan Carey; Dr. Osmer, Miss C. Turner, Mrs. H. B. Penhallow.

Would Locate High School On Beach

Committee May Decide To Accept Tender Of Site Near Spreckelsville—Paia Ball Grounds Also Talked Of

Considerable interest still obtains concerning the location of the new Maui Central High School building, which has been made possible through the generosity of a number of Maui citizens in subscribing \$25,000 for the purpose. As stated in last week's Maui News, the county has agreed to spend another \$5,000 for equipment.

A committee consisting of Chairman Kalama, of the board of supervisors, D. C. Lindsay, of the school commission, and H. W. Rice, representing the donors, has been selected to select the site for the building, there being a strong element in favor of changing from the present location at Hanalei to the present location at Hanalei. A site for the school has been offered at Paia on the makai side of the railroad depot, and including the present base ball grounds. Another urged on the committee is on the beach near Spreckelsville, and convenient to the railroad.

Of course the Hanalei people and the Hanalei patrons are strongly opposed to any change from the present site, which is ample in size and has other advantages, but the Hanalei influence is waning, and is uncertain for the future, so it does not seem unlikely that a new site for the permanent structure may be decided upon.

Row Over Player Threatens League

Both Paia And Punnene Claim Alvin Robinson—No Game Last Sunday—Deadlock Still Holds

Harmony is a thing that doesn't seem to be holding very closely to the Maui baseball league this year. Indeed the present indications are not at all bright for the continuance of the series. There was no game last Sunday on account of the row, and there probably will not be next Sunday, unless a peacemaker of more than ordinary ability gets busy pretty quick.

The principal bone of contention is Alvin Robinson, one of the best all-around players in the league, who is claimed by both Paia and Punnene. Robinson played last year with Paia, and had no small part in winning the cup which that team now holds. He contracted to catch for the same aggregation some time ago, but later accepted a position as electrician with the H. C. & S. Company, and is now living at Punnene. He wants to keep on with Paia, but both Punnene and Wailuku (1st Battalion) won't stand for it. Foster Robinson, of the Paia team is reported to have declared he will not pitch this year if Brother Alvin doesn't catch him.

And so the matter stands. A meeting called of the Maui Athletic Association for last Wednesday night in hope of straightening out the difficulty failed to get a quorum. How it will end, isn't easy to say.

Libel Suit for \$20,000 Filed Against Hotel Man

Claiming to have been seriously injured in the community by certain statements alleged to have been made by W. H. Field, proprietor of the Maui Hotel, A. J. de Souza, manager of the Maui Wine & Liquor Company, has filed suit for damages in the sum of \$20,000. James L. Coke and Enos Vincent are entered as attorneys for de Souza. The petitioner alleges that the scandalous remarks made by Field to two different persons, reflected seriously upon his character and business integrity during the time he was manager of a large hotel in Manila. De Souza is at present heading a hotel project for Wailuku, a company having recently been incorporated under the name of the Grand Hotel Company, with a view to erecting a new hotel on the Lyons property at the corner of Main and Church streets.

A CHILDREN'S PARTY

Master Walter Scholtz Weigh, having attained the age of one year, was tendered a birthday party last Thursday afternoon at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Weight, High Street, Wailuku. The lovely grounds and lawn were bright with daintily dressed children who enjoyed to the utmost the games and delicious refreshments provided by the hostess. About forty children and adults were present to tender felicitations to the young guest of honor.

GERMANS GAIN GROUND AT APPALLING COST

French Agree That Terrible Assaults Have Forced Them Back—Villa Bandits Routed—Mauna Loa Again Active—Lava Flowing On Kau Side

HONOLULU, May 26—British censor in Samoa refuses to pass wireless message from Georg Rodiek, German consul in Honolulu, to American consul in Samoa. Message asked what route prominent German was to take so wife could meet him. No reason for return of message given except that censor refused to pass it.

Mayor Lane tells Rotary Club how money may be had. Opens campaign for bond issue for public improvements. Backs up frontage tax for municipality. Roads in country districts must be built from proceeds of bond sale.

Oahu Railway will install system of block signals. Expert arrives from mainland to erect modern safety plant.

WASHINGTON, May 26—Business men almost a unit for defense. Commercial organization affiliated with chamber of commerce returns preparedness referendum with approval. Program of general staff sweeps country by vote of 970 to 8. Many branches of national body ask congress for legislation to safeguard peace.

Wilson thinks that mediation is not timely. All belligerents must desire peace before good offices can be extended.

LONDON, May 26—Official statements from both sides declare nothing like struggle now taking place, has been seen in this war. Losses of crown prince reported to be frightful. Teutons hurl masses of men against French positions only to be thrown back, but weight gains ground at last.

PETROGRAD, May 26—Great Russian army joins British forces in Mesopotamia.

WASHINGTON, May 26—Carranzistas have routed Villista band. 23 outlaws slain. Villa's commander, General Avila, killed and his band scattered.

NEW YORK, May 26—Dr. F. C. Waite, young dentist accused of having poisoned his father and mother-in-law, tells court he is a confirmed thief. Father of Dr. Waite says insanity runs in the family.

WASHINGTON, May 26—Representative Tague, of Massachusetts, would have U. S. mail for European countries dispatched in warships. He would have cruisers given instructions to fight to last ditch in case of interference.

LONDON, May 26—Russians break German attack on Austro-German front. Latins have checked terrific drive of Teutons.

WASHINGTON, May 26—Russian hospital ship deliberately sunk in Black Sea some weeks ago, is report.

TOKIO, May 26—N. Y. K. boats ordered to touch at Honolulu.

LONDON, May 26—British steamer Washington sunk by submarine. No report of casualties.

WASHINGTON, May 25—House republicans demand a bigger navy. Want a dreadnaught and many more submarines to be built. House republicans in their report denounce the naval appropriation estimated by the democratic majority, declaring it to be altogether inadequate for the navy increase which must be made, and saying that the biggest features of the expansion program have been ignored by democrats.

President is said to be thinking of a plan for peace, having discovered the possibility of intervention by neutrals.

New Army bill reached the President today but was not signed.

Secretary of War Baker decides for courtmartial for the 110 militia men who refused to report when the state national guard was called out for border service. The President is to appoint personnel of tribunal to hear noted case.

BERLIN, May 25—French counter attack today at Commiers repulsed. Germans captured trenches southwest and south of Douaumont, and Haudeumont quarries.

PARIS, May 25—French admit that Germans have gained quarries and they also made gains east of Commiers.

HONOLULU, May 25—Great Northern is coming back on permanent route. Fast service will be resumed on November 7, says wireless from Waldron.

Tourist crowd is sure, say promotion heads. With the coming of the new Matson liner next spring, traffic will be record-breaking.

Deficiency of water supply seen at fire. Manager of water department says fault lies with system. Bonds are needed, \$2,000,000 to increase Oahu Sugar Company capital, is the rumor. Street hears there may be a million in stock dividend and another million sold at par. Report is unconfirmed, no action having as yet been taken. Mill enlargement and water system would be covered by the increase.

Publicity put an end to the gambling on railroad train. Action by company and employers of workmen follow upon exposure made.

Early morning blaze destroyed frame cottage owned by Manuel Richards at Kahili. Place was rented to soldiers. No one was in house at the time of the fire. No trace of fire's origin.

HONOLULU, May 25—British Red Cross contributions are in excess of \$2,500. All nationalities were among donors.

Bishop Estate sues to recover Kawaiaola land. Action for ejectment of Waialua Agricultural company filed in circuit court. Tract said to be worth about one million dollars. Trustees claim sugar company has failed to cultivate tract as agreed.

Hawaiians balked by countryman. Territorial officials hard on trail of alleged land sharks. Woman wants property decided to W. K. Dimond, who swindled her. Says 30 acres of land obtained from her by swindle.

PARIS, May 25—Bavarians break hold of Gaul on Douaumont. Two fresh divisions hurled into attack after five successive failures to succeed in smashing through French defense. Gen. Petain clings to immediate approach. Commiers on Verdun front is once again scene of fighting. Germans win initial conflict but are reversed.

WASHINGTON, May 25—Navy bill carries large increases. Measure reported by House committee appropriates \$240,000,000 for navy purposes.

BERLIN, May 25—Supply of meat in Germany put under ban. Berlin government issues order placing entire output in hands of bureau.